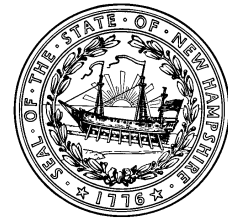


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NH DHHS COVID-19 Update – March 9, 2021

Concord, NH – The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has issued the following update on the new coronavirus, COVID-19.

On Tuesday, March 9, 2021, DHHS announced 219 new positive test results for COVID-19, for a current PCR test positivity rate of 2.3%. Today's results include 95 people who tested positive by PCR test and 124 who tested positive by antigen test. There are now 1,997 current COVID-19 cases diagnosed in New Hampshire. Of the results reported today:

- **3/8: 219** new cases

Several cases are still under investigation. Additional information from ongoing investigations will be incorporated into future COVID-19 updates. Of those with complete information, there are thirty-eight individuals under the age of 18 and the rest are adults with 56% being female and 44% being male. The new cases reside in Rockingham (63), Hillsborough County other than Manchester and Nashua (41), Cheshire (16), Merrimack (15), Belknap (9), Coos (7), Strafford (7), Carroll (6), Grafton (6), and Sullivan (2) counties, and in the cities of Manchester (18) and Nashua (8). The county of residence is being determined for twenty-one new cases.

Community-based transmission continues to occur in the State and has been identified in all counties. Of those with complete risk information, most of the cases have either had close contact with a person with a confirmed COVID-19 diagnosis or have recently traveled.

DHHS has also announced one additional death related to COVID-19. We offer our sympathies to the family and friends.

- 1 female resident of Hillsborough County, 60 years of age and older

There are currently 73 individuals hospitalized with COVID-19. In New Hampshire since the start of the pandemic, there have been a total of 77,252 cases of COVID-19 diagnosed.

Current Situation in New Hampshire

New Hampshire 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Summary Report (updated March 9, 2021, 9:00 AM)

NH Persons with COVID-19	77,252
Recovered	74,070 (96%)
Deaths Attributed to COVID-19	1,185 (2%)
Total Current COVID-19 Cases	1,997
Current Hospitalizations	73
Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) ₂	635,062

Total Persons Tested at Selected Laboratories, Antibody Laboratory Tests₂ 37,968

Persons with Specimens Submitted to NH PHL 69,062

Persons with Test Pending at NH PHL₃ 128

₁Includes specimens positive at any laboratory and those confirmed by CDC confirmatory testing.

₂Includes specimens tested at the NH Public Health Laboratories (PHL), LabCorp, Quest, Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center, and those sent to CDC prior to NH PHL testing capacity.

₃Includes specimens received and awaiting testing at NH PHL. Does not include tests pending at commercial laboratories.

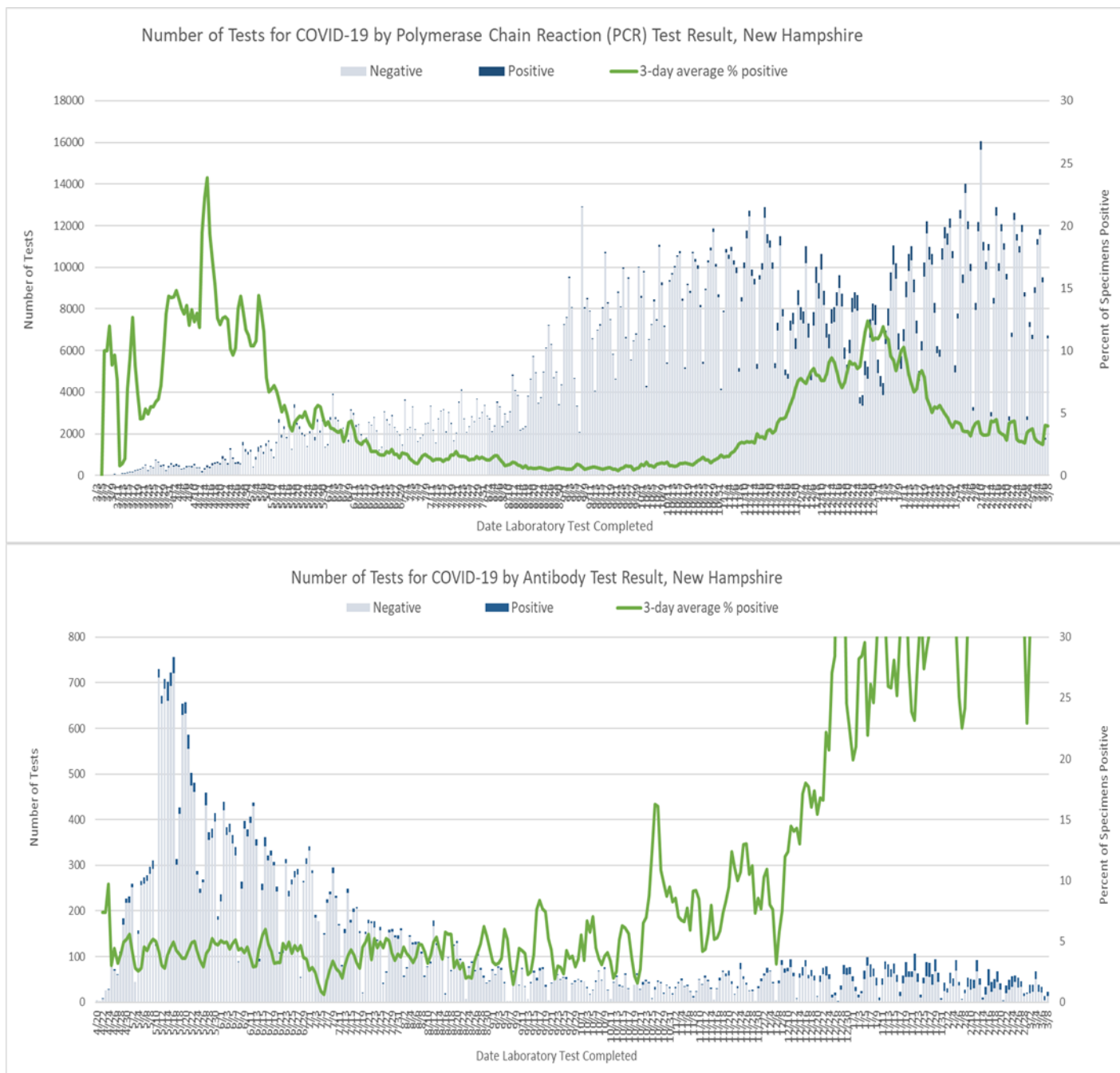
Number of Tests Conducted by Date of Report to NH DHHS

Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) Tests								
Testing Laboratory	3/02	3/03	3/04	3/05	3/06	3/07	3/08	Daily Average
NH Public Health Laboratories	0	739	610	549	326	0	62	327
LabCorp	650	602	534	653	544	260	436	526
Quest Diagnostics	83	366	823	561	565	298	338	433
Mako Medical	375	630	42	51	98	85	1	183
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	393	368	421	669	390	222	328	399
NorDX Laboratory	731	285	443	313	98	110	44	289
Broad Institute	37	699	3,196	4,779	4,514	450	1,083	2,108
Other NH Hospital Laboratory	518	660	394	455	331	216	346	417
Other Laboratory*	243	443	528	417	268	159	158	317
University of New Hampshire**	3,717	4,237	4,374	3,396	2,385	31	3,935	3,154
Total	6,747	9,029	11,365	11,843	9,519	1,831	6,731	8,152
Antibody Laboratory Tests								
Testing Laboratory	3/02	3/03	3/04	3/05	3/06	3/07	3/08	Daily Average
LabCorp	16	18	17	8	10	7	1	11
Quest Diagnostics	1	7	25	12	19	1	4	10
Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center	5	2	8	6	3	1	6	4
NorDX Laboratory	2	2	1	0	0	1	0	1
Other Laboratory*	3	4	9	3	1	0	1	3
Total	27	33	60	29	33	10	12	29

* Includes out-of-state public health laboratories, out-of-state hospital laboratories, and other commercial laboratories not already listed in the table.

Note: Patients who had both antibody and polymerase chain reaction (PCR) tests are accounted for in both tables.

** Includes tests conducted at the UNH laboartory and their contracted lab Veritas.



[NH DHHS Daily Update on COVID-19 Archive](#)

For more information, please visit the DHHS COVID-19 webpage at <https://www.nh.gov/covid19>.

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